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Today's Topics:
440 in So. Cal.

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for-mail@network.ucsd.edu
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In article <2slnrg\$qbl@lo-fan.jpl.nasa.gov>,
Randy Hammock <hammock@kelvin.jpl.nasa.gov> wrote:

>With the loss of the bottom 2.150mhz of the 220 band (remember the 150khz
>was given over to weak signal thus costing 6 more repeater channels to be
>lost), the 220SMA has instituted the policy of requiring all repeater
>owners to re-register their systems every three years. Systems that do
>not exist or do not submit the required paperwork will be decoordinated
>and purged from the files.

The Texas VHF-FM Society has a similar policy. They renew the coordinations
annually, and three months of inactivity is grounds for decoordination.

Texas had a big problem with "paper radios" while I was on the Board of the
Society. We adopted rules which allowed the coordinators to review and revoke
the coordinations under certain circumstances. It's worked pretty well, and

most of the "paper" has gone away.

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In article <2sma1n\$mk@kaiwan.kaiwan.com>,
Robb Topolski KJ6YT <topolski@kaiwan.com> wrote:

>It's not illegal to discriminate, unless that discrimination is based on
>some kind of protected class (race, religion, sex). If the coordinating
>body wanted to work toward some kind of balance, they could legally set
>up open/closed restrictions on who they approved as long as such a policy
>was otherwise fairly enforced.

Not illegal, maybe, but certainly unfair. A coordinating body that refused to coordinate a frequency because the trustee wanted a closed repeater would almost certainly be sued, or another competing organization would spring up which would accomodate everyone.

As long as there is a demand for frequencies, this discussion will be held. The thing which should be considered here is not whether the system is open or closed. What should be considered is whether the frequency is being used.

A repeater with no users serves no one. If a radio has users, it should make no difference to the coordinator whether the radio is open or closed. A coordinator is just that... a _coordinator_. He cannot be asked to judge who is "more worthy" of a frequency. Either the frequency is used or it's not. His job is to minimize interference between coordinated systems.

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